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Questions for my 9th Grade Earth and Environmental Class concerning Freshwater in Jackson County

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Good morning.

My name is Michael Martinez and I am a 9th grader at Blue Ridge Early College. I'm in Mr. Littlefield's science class and my end of year research topic is fresh water in Jackson County.

I had a few questions that I hope you can help me with:

- 1) How did TWASA get established?
- 2) Is Jackson County unique or among most counties in having a board like TWASA?
- 3) Would you consider it the best solution for the county's water treatment or should we consider a change?
- 4) What are the plans for water and sewage treatment in the Cashiers Area?
- 5) What percent of homes use Septic vs Sewage, and are there plans to centralize sewage or have distributed treatment centers?
- 6) Where does Blue Ridge School's water waste go?
- 7) When will Blue Ridge get rid of the water tower?

Thank you so much for your help. My project is due Friday, so any information is helpful. Links to any other resources are appreciated. Thank you for your service.

- Michael Martinez
Freshman, Blue Ridge Early College

Gayle Woody - Commissioner <gaylewoody@jacksonnc.org>

Mon, May 6, 2019 at 10:05 PM

To: Michael Martinez <martinez@student.jcpsmail.org>

Dear Michael,

I did not see this email until this evening, which I realize is too late. I hope one of the other Commissioners responded.

I did not know all the answers to your questions, but they were good questions and I need to learn the answers as well. I know most of the citizens of Jackson County have individual septic systems, especially in Cashiers.

Clean, safe water is VERY important for our citizens and effective sewage treatment is essential. I hope your interest in this topic will continue as you finish school and carry on with life. Involved, knowledgeable citizens are an asset to our community.

If you have any education questions, please ask me. I am a retired teacher.

All the Best as you finish your school year.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gayle Woody

Sent from my iPad

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